

**Agenda Questions/Responses**  
**May 12, 2005**

**23. Will these funds be used for design or engineering of the Water Treatment Plant 4 site? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

The RCA is to give staff permission to negotiate and execute a contract amendment with Carollo Engineers for Preliminary Engineering work. Staff initially plans to negotiate and authorize only work on Phase 1 tasks that includes following work items:

- Implement Communication Plan,
- Determine the cost of environmental mitigation for the existing WTP 4 site.

Staff will not authorize funding additional Preliminary Engineering work (Phase 2) on the existing WTP 4 site until a presentation has been made to Council on the results of the Phase 1 work.

**27. Why was this purchase not anticipated in the initial project estimate for the MDC upgrade? (Mayor Will Wynn)**

During earlier MDC project phases, the technology was not available to support use of the proposed hardware. Mobile data technology has undergone phenomenal changes in the past two years, mainly in the areas of processor speed and broadband capabilities. Additionally, user agency demands on the type and quantity of information needed by field units have increased dramatically. The recent technological advances will enable us to upgrade our mobile data system servers, system network capabilities, and mobile devices, to address the increased user requirements and demands. This is both a welcomed and positive step in the evolution of our original vision.

**28. Please explain why issues related to accessing the records management system were not fully addressed in the initial contract with Tritech. (Mayor Will Wynn)**

Accessing the records management system was always a part of our original vision and concept; however, at the time of the initial contract with TriTech, the lack of broadband technology and inadequate processor speed did not support it, and was not covered by the previous TriTech scope of work. We always knew that we would have to re-visit the issue at a future date when needed technological changes came about. With the recent leaps forward in technology, we are now able to successfully achieve that original goal of mobile access to the records management system. This is both a welcomed and positive step in the evolution of our original vision.

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- 38. How much does the Utility receive every year through the Customer Assistance Program? (Council Member Daryl Slusher)**

In Fiscal Year 2004, there were 18,173 donations to the Customer Assistance Program totaling \$49,494.

- 56. In the ordinance under 25-2-766.05 B – When the Station Area Plan is adopted, why does the district no longer function as an overlay?**

**What does Council adopting neighborhood plan by zoning ordinance mean? Will it be individual zoning cases for all affected properties? What are the requirements for notification? Will it be everyone in the district? Or 200 feet around the property?**

**Which part of the ordinance specifies heights for the gateway, midway and transition zones? (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

1. Just as the East Austin Overlay was phased out as Neighborhood Plans and rezonings were adopted, the TOD Overlay District will be phased out once the Station Area Plans (SAP) and TOD zoning are adopted.

2. If this is referring to Section 25-2-766.05 (B) it means that the adoption of a SAP will rezone property within the boundaries to "TOD". The specific land uses and site development regulations included in the TOD zoning will be established as part of the Station Area Plan.

Yes, the TOD zoning will be handled as individual zoning cases for all affected properties and will replace existing zoning districts.

Notification will be handled the same as a current zoning case. Notification will go to all property owners, within the TOD boundary and within 300' of the boundary, registered neighborhood associations and contact teams.

3. Part 7 is the Exhibits or maps showing the TOD boundaries. We will confirm this is part of the back-up.

4. Sec. 25-2-766.02, but these have no regulatory effect unless enacted as part of a SAP.

**Z-13. What was this case initiated by staff? (Please answer even though this item will probably be postponed) (Council Member Raul Alvarez)**

When the Montopolis Neighborhood Plan was completed, several tracts, including the property in question, were designated as "Residential" on the Future Land Use Map, specifically indicating that these properties were appropriate for zoning in a range from SF-3 to MF-4.

When the Montopolis Neighborhood Plan rezonings were passed, these tracts were rezoned to add the Neighborhood Planning combining district, but their base district zoning was not changed. In part, this was due to interest by the City in possibly purchasing some or all of these properties for housing projects.

Because these properties did not have their base district zoning changed at the time of the Montopolis Neighborhood Plan rezoning, the City stated its willingness to rezone these properties in the future if we received a request from the owners of these properties which was in accordance with the Montopolis Neighborhood Plan.